

REMARKS

Claims 1-9, 11-33 and 35-45 are pending in this application. Applicants appreciate the Office Action's indication that claims 3, 6, 10, 11, 14-25, 30, 34 and 35 contain allowable subject matter.

By this Amendment, claims 1, 2, 11, 14, 15, 26, 27, 35, 38 and 39 are amended. Claims 40-45 are added.

In particular, claims 1, 26, 38 and 39 are amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter recited in claims 10 and 34. Accordingly, claims 10 and 34 are canceled, and claims 11 and 35 are amended to change their dependence in view of the cancellation of claims 10 and 34.

Claims 2, 15 and 27 are amended to obviate informalities, as the Examiner requested. Claims 14 and 26 are amended for better clarity.

New dependent claims 40-43 are added to recite additional features disclosed in the specification at, for example, Fig. 2 and page 13, lines 23-25. New dependent claims 44 and 45 are added to recite the subject matter originally recited in claims 1 and 26, respectively, and the allowable subject matter originally recited in claims 6 and 30, respectively.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the foregoing claim amendments and the following remarks.

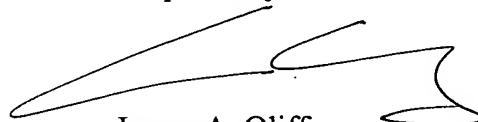
Applicants thank Examiner Colilla for the courtesy extended to Applicants' representative, Mr. Luo, during the August 25, 2005 personal interview. As discussed during the interview, the allowable independent claim 14 is amended for better clarity. As Examiner Colilla agreed during the interview, the amendments to claim 14 overcome the objection to claim 14 and the rejection of claim 14 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Examiner Colilla also agreed that similar amendments to claim 26 overcomes the objection to claim 26 and the rejection of claim 26 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

As further discussed during the interview, claims 2, 15 and 27 are amended to obviate informalities to overcome the objection to claims 2, 11, 14-33 and 35-37. Additionally, independent claims 1, 26, 38 and 39 are amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter originally recited in claims 10 and 34 to overcome the rejections over applied references. Each of the newly added independent claims 44 and 45 contains allowable subject matter originally recited in claims 6 and 30, respectively.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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